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search workers, especially those from Latin America, and will invite foreign professors to lecture on their specialties. The new institution will include the laboratories already installed in 1901 for biologic research and the laboratories maintained for research on experimental physiology, neuropathology and histology. A new building is planned and the whole will form a part of the National Institute of Sciences.

IN order to stimulate more general research along the lines of better preparation and packing of foods and beverages, and to increase our knowledge of such changes induced by preparation or storage of such products, the Glass Container Association of America, Dr. A. W. Bitting, director of research, 3344 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill., will make seven awards in value from \$50 to \$150 for theses submitted prior to June 10, 1921. A thesis may cover any phase of the subject of foods or beverages—technological, bacteriological, or chemical. It may treat of any legitimate method of preparation, as sterilization by heat, pasteurization, salting, drying, smoking, pickling, sugaring, etc., the product to be packed in glass. The thesis may be bibliographical with abstracts, or may be a translation from work along the lines indicated. Any student working for a degree in any college or university is eligible to compete.

THE proceedings of the Paris Congress of Physiology under the presidency of Professor Charles Richet, will begin on Friday, July 16, and will end on the following Tuesday. The last congress was held at Groningen in September, 1913, and it was then decided that the next should be held in Paris. The subscription (35 francs) should be sent to M. Lucien Bull, l'Institut Marey, Avenue Victor-Hugo, Boulogne-sur-Seine (Seine).

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

IN recognition of the great and increasing need for competent specialists in the medical

sciences, a new course leading to the degree of doctor of medical sciences (D.M.S.) has been established at the Harvard Medical School. The first two years' work of this course is substantially identical with that of the regular medical students and this general training in the medical sciences is followed by a minimum of two years of concentration work in one of the laboratory departments. The qualifications and character of work required of those admitted to the concentration course are essentially the same as for Ph.D. students. The granting of the D.M.S. degree will be based on the same standard.

It has been planned for some time to found a university at Cologne. *The Journal* of the American Medical Association reports that the necessary formalities were complied with last year, and the new university has recently come into being very quietly. The various colleges and institutes have thus been collected into a state university which offers a chance to relieve the overcrowding of the university at Bonn. The new university starts with 2,000 students and over forty instructors.

PROFESSOR CECIL H. PEABODY, head of the department of naval architecture, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has resigned after thirty-seven years. Dr. Peabody has been in charge of the marine engineering course since its formation in 1883. Professor J. R. Jack will succeed Professor Peabody.

DR. WILLIAM E. FORD, of Yale University, has been promoted to a professorship of mineralogy and has been made a member of the governing board of the Sheffield Scientific School.

DR. H. E. WELLS, formerly professor of chemistry at Washington and Jefferson College and captain in the Chemical Warfare Service, U. S. A., has been appointed professor of chemistry at Smith College.

DR. J. P. MUSSELMAN, of Washington University, St. Louis, has been appointed associate in mathematics at the Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Musselman is the national president of the Gamma Alpha Graduate Scientific Fraternity.